IN THE U.S. PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Robert Josef FRANDA et al.

Appl. No.: New Group: Unknown

Filed: August 21, 2003 Examiner: UNKNOWN

For: APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR REAL TIME

DETERMINATION OF DENSITY AND RELATED PARAMETERS IN MANUFACTURING PROCESSES

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT (SUBMISSION CONCURRENT WITH THE FILING OF A NEW PATENT APPLICATION)

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

August 21, 2003

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, applicant(s) hereby submit(s) an Information Disclosure Statement for consideration by the Examiner.

I. LIST OF PATENTS, PUBLICATIONS OR OTHER INFORMATION

The patents, publications, or other information submitted for consideration by the Office are listed on PTO-1449, attached hereto.

II. COPIES

- a. This application was filed before June 30, 2003.

 Accordingly, submitted herewith is a legible copy of (i) each U.S. and foreign patent; (ii) each publication or that portion which caused it to be listed; and (iii) all other information or that portion which caused it to be listed.
- b. A This application was filed on or after June 30, 2003. Accordingly, copies of cited US patents and patent application publications therefore are not included. Copies of foreign patent documents and non-patent literature are included.

c.
This application is a National Phase of a PCT application. Some or all of the documents listed on the PTO-1449 are not enclosed because they were cited in the International Search Report and copies should be forwarded from the International Search Authority. If copies are needed, please contact the undersigned.

III. CONCISE EXPLANATION OF THE RELEVANCE (check at least one box)

a. DOCUMENTS IN THE ENGLISH LANGUAGE

The patents, publications, or other information listed on the attached PTO 1449 are in the English language and therefore, do not require a statement of relevancy.

b. DOCUMENTS NOT IN THE ENGLISH LANGUAGE

A concise explanation of the relevance of all patents, publications, or other information listed that is not in the English language is as follows:

c.

ENGLISH LANGUAGE SEARCH REPORT

An English language version of the search report or action that indicates the degree of relevance found by the foreign office is attached, thereby satisfying the requirement for a concise explanation. See MPEP 609(III)(A)(3).

d. OTHER

The following additional information is provided for the Examiner's consideration.

FEES

This Information Disclosure Statement is being filed concurrently with the filing of a new patent application; therefore, no fee is required.

If the Examiner has any questions concerning this IDS, he/she is requested to contact the undersigned. If it is determined that this IDS has been filed under the wrong rule, the PTO is requested to consider this IDS under the proper rule and charge the appropriate fee to Deposit Account No. 02-2448.

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or under § 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

Respectfully submitted,

BIRCH, STEWART, KOLASCH & BIRCH, LLP

By L.J. #28,781 Joe McKinney Munoy, #32,334

P.O. Box 747

KM/RG:gml 0011-0410P Falls Church, VA 22040-0747

(703) 205-8000

Attachment(s):	\boxtimes	Form PTO-1449(s)
	\boxtimes	Documents
		Foreign Search Report
		Fee
		Other:

(Rev. 08/14/03)

Form PTO-1449 INFORMATION DISCLOSURE CITATION IN AN APPLICATION (Use several sheets if necessary)			ATTY DOCKET NO. 0011-0410P		APPLICATION NO. New		
			APPLICANT Robert J. FRANDA, et al.				
			FILING DATE August 21, 2003		GROUP Unknown		
	T	J.S. PATENT D	OCUMENTS				
EXAMINER INITIAL	DOCUMENT NUMBER	DATE	NAME	CLASS	SUB CLASS	FILING IF APPRO	DATE PRIATE
	5,365,435	11/15/94	Stephenson	364	420		
	6,496,781 B1	12/17/02	Chen, et al.	702	25		
				ļ		<u> </u>	_
				-	-		
				 	 		
				 	-		
				†		ļ <u></u>	
	FO	REIGN PATENT	DOCUMENTS				
1	DOCUMENT NUMBER	DATE	COUNTRY	CLASS	SUB CLASS	TRANSLATION	
				ļ	 	YES	NO
			 	-	<u> </u>		
				1	<u> </u>		
				 	<u> </u>	 	
		 		<u> </u>	<u> </u>		
				 	<u> </u>		
		1		 			, .
				<u> </u>		<u> </u>	
appropria	CUMENTS (Include Name of the ate), title of the item (book volume-issue number(s), pub.	k, magazine, jour	rnal, serial, symposi	lum, ca	talog, e		te,
	Bergman et al., "ON-LINE M SYSTEM", 1999 TAPPI Coating					PPLY	
	Mütek News, No. 7, August 2	2001 (4 pages).					
	Pulse))))Air_V3, www.papec	.com, 12/21/2001	(3 pages).				
	Anton Paar, "On-line CO2 me Release, July 2001 (3 pages		e beer and soft dri	nk ind	lustry",	Press	
EXAMINER			DATE CONSIDERED				
EXAMINER: Init	rial if citation considered, whether or not ci	tation is in conformance wi	th M.P.E.P. 609; Draw line through	h citation	if not in co	nformance a	nd not